

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

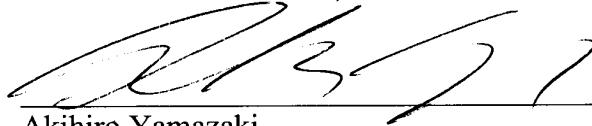
Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

In the Notice of Allowance, Claims 1-20 have been allowed.

By the present amendment, Claim 8 has been amended to correct the dependency. Specifically, Claim 8 has been amended to depend from Claim 5. Since this amendment is not believed to give rise to further search and/or consideration, it is respectfully requested that this claim amendment be entered in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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